

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Khalil et al

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For:

Mobile IP Over VPN Communication Protocol

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Wong, Blanche

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 9, 2009, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending application in light of the following Response. The Examiner's rejection is believed to be unsupported because the primary reference relied upon by the Examiner, *Sjostrand* ("Mobile IP and Virtual Private Networks Problem Statement"), is, as its name implies, a "Problem Statement" that fails to disclose, teach or suggest the claimed solution. With a one month extension of time to respond requested herewith (with fee), the Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the application in light of the attached amendments and arguments.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

- 1. The Examiner objects to Claim 10, and the Examiner's suggestion is adopted to make Claim 10 consistent with Claims 8 and 9.
- 2. Claims 1-7 and 16-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2 for an alleged failure to specify structural limitations regarding connections between networks.
- 3. Claims 1, 3-7, 16, 18-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by *Sjostrand* ("Mobile IP and Virtual Private Networks Problem Statement") (hereinafter "*Sjostrand*").
- 4. Claims 2 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over *Sjostrand* ("Mobile IP and Virtual Private Networks Problem Statement") (hereinafter "*Sjostrand*").
- 5. Claims 8-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over *Sjostrand* ("Mobile IP and Virtual Private Networks Problem Statement") (hereinafter "*Sjostrand*") in view of Adrangi et al. (NPL "Problem Statement for Mobile IPv4 Traversal Across VPN Gateway").